

BRITISH GEN. METHUEN
RELEASED BY THE BOERS.

Wounded and Captured in Fight with Burghers Under Gen. Delarey When His Column of 1,200 Men Was Routed—"Now Let Kritzing Go," Shouted an Irish M. P. in Commons To-Day.

LONDON, March 13.—The War Secretary, Mr. Brodrick, announced in the House of Commons to-day that he understood that Gen. Methuen, who was captured, severely wounded, by Gen. Delarey March 10, had been released, and had been expected to arrive at Klerksdorp, South-western Transvaal, to-day.

The General's condition was favorable.

Mr. Brodrick added that the exchange of Gen. Methuen for Commandant Kritzing had not been contemplated. The trial of the Commandant had been postponed because consideration of the evidence to be presented had not been completed.

Mr. Brodrick later said the telegram received did not specifically say that Gen. Methuen had been released.

DR. AUSTIN FLINT
ON PATRICK'S SIDE

NEW YORKER SAYS DISEASE CAUSED RICE'S DEATH.

Agrees with Other Experts Who Seek to Overturn State's Theory of Murder.

Lawyers for Albert T. Patrick wound up the day by calling Dr. Austin Flint as a witness. As the other experts for the defense had done, the famous New York physician declared that in his opinion Sam M. Rice had died from natural causes. When court adjourned for the day Dr. Flint was still on the stand.

Proceedings opened to-day with Dr. Girdner on the stand for cross-examination.

Mr. Osborne put a long hypothetical question to the witness detailing Mr. Rice's physical condition as viewed by the prosecution down to the day of Mr. Rice's death and asked:

"In your opinion was there an intervening cause of death between 11 o'clock that morning and 8 o'clock that evening?"

"That is a question of the lungs," said Dr. Girdner, "caused the death without any intervening cause. In my opinion the question details an abnormal condition in the patient."

This answer caused a wrangle between Mr. Osborne and Mr. Moore, and the Recorder again found occasion to rebuke them.

Recorder Scolds Lawyers.

"You are acting like a pair of overgrown schoolboys," said the Recorder, "and forget the obligation of your profession. I demand that you respect the Court."

Mr. Osborne became so nettled at being barred from putting a motion to have the jury instructed to disregard Dr. Girdner's answer that he exclaimed: "I refuse to put another question to this witness!"

Dr. Alexander A. G. Luef, of Philadelphia, was the next witness called to the stand. He is the author of a book on pneumonia and has performed 50 autopsies and was called as an expert on pneumonia.

Dr. Luef was another strong witness for the defense. He directly contradicted the testimony given by Drs. Williams and Loeblin, and the Recorder, who said that the autopsy showed extensive congestion of Rice's lungs, on that the Recorder regards the old millionaire died of chloroform asphyxiation.

Osborne's New Move.

Under examination by Recorder Goff after Mr. Osborne dropped his own question, Dr. Luef said the odor of chloroform was perceptible for hours unless the sense of smell was utterly lost. That the Recorder regards the old millionaire died of chloroform asphyxiation.

Osborne asked: "Can the odor of chloroform be detected in a room one hour after it has been used?"

"Yes," said Dr. Luef.

Thereupon the drowsy proceedings were stirred practically as Mr. Osborne sprang forward with a bottle of chloroform in one hand and a towel in the other and attempted to make another test.

The defense objected, and the Recorder finally ruled that the test was unnecessary.

Dr. Kenneth William Milliken, associate editor of the New York Medical Journal, gave testimony for the defense following the line of the other witnesses.

In the cross-examination of Dr. Milliken Mr. Osborne brought out and made much of the fact that a brother of the witness is a brother-in-law of Albert T. Patrick.

Woman Witness for Patrick.

Accompanying Miss Emma Patrick at the afternoon session was a young woman who displayed the keenest of interest in the proceedings.

She was a pronounced brunette and was dressed in deepest black, which was only relieved by a large red rose in her corsage. All inquiries as to her identity met with evasive replies, but she is believed to be a witness to the alleged movements on the day of the alleged murder.

TEN CARRIED FROM
BURNING BUILDINGS.

FIRE AMOUNTED TO LITTLE BUT SCARED TENANTS.

Women and Children, Unable to Reach the Street, Dragged by Firemen.

Ten persons in the two apartment-houses at Fulton and Henry streets, Brooklyn, were carried down the fire-escapes this afternoon when smoke from a fire in the basement of No. 7 Henry street filled both buildings so densely that life was endangered.

The fire started a little before 3 o'clock. The house on Henry street adjoins Nos. 114 and 116 Fulton street. Both buildings were filled with smoke and the tenants made a rush for the street.

Most of them succeeded in getting there, but a number fell in the halls. They succeeded in dragging themselves to windows and cried for help.

Mrs. Mary Bennett and her five-year-old grandson, living on the top floor of the Henry street house, got to the third floor and then life was endangered.

The fire-escape, carried both the woman and the child down.

A woman named Caracola and her five children were carried down by firemen, while Mrs. Mary Brown and her daughter Emma, and Mrs. Robertson, were rescued in the same way from the Fulton street flat.

No one was seriously injured. The fire did not amount to much.

ELEVATOR ALMOST
TOOK OFF HIS HEAD

WILLIAM M'GARR INSTANTLY KILLED.

So Painstaking in His Work that He Was Not Aware of Danger.

Because he was so thorough and painstaking in his work, William McGarr, twenty-nine years old, of No. 844 Broadway, was instantly killed in the Rockingham Stables, at No. 121 Broadway, by an elevator, which nearly decapitated him.

McGarr was employed by a wealthy man named Johnson, and was sent to clean blankets in the stable where Mr. Johnson kept his horses. The man spread the robe on the elevator gate, and was so busy brushing them that he did not notice the descending elevator.

As he bent over the gate the elevator platform caught his head and crushed it almost to a pulp. The cries of other employees caused John McConnell, the elevator man, to stop the machine in time to prevent decapitation.

McConnell was arrested, but was released on bail.

The man left a young widow.

WILL OF A VANDERBILT.

He Owned No Railroads, but Did Own Some Trucks.

The will of Abraham Vanderbilt was filed in Probate Court, Washington, this afternoon. This Vanderbilt owned no railroads. He was a truckman and died at his home, No. 329 West Twenty-eighth street, Feb. 28.

He had saved \$5,000, and this he bequeathed to his two motherless children, Misses Ella Merriam and Sadie Bird Vanderbilt.

BROKER'S WIFE
HURT IN CRASH.

Runaway Team Dashed Against Carriage of Mrs. John Dwight.

IN COLLAPSE WHEN SAVED.

Her Vehicle Almost Overturned and Horses Controlled with Difficulty.

Mrs. John Dwight, wife of a Wall Street capitalist and broker, was considerably bruised and shocked in a runaway accident at One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street and Lenox avenue this afternoon. Her carriage was struck by a team of horses attached to a delivery wagon.

Mrs. Dwight's equipage was nearly overturned and the driver had considerable trouble in preventing his own horses from also running away.

Mrs. Dwight was rescued from her carriage by Benjamin S. Wise, of No. 19 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street, who helped her to her home at No. 31 Mr. Morris Park West. She was in a state of collapse.

The runaway team belonged to the Manhattan Market, at One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street and Eighth avenue. The driver was delivering provisions at One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street and Mount Morris Park when the horses took fright and bolted. They ran down the street to Lenox avenue, where they overturned a peddler's pushcart.

Mrs. Dwight's carriage was going down the avenue, but the driver was unable to escape a collision.

TO-NIGHT'S EVENTS.

Sportmen's Show, Madison Square Garden.
Dinner Library Club, No. 111 Fifth avenue, 6.30 P. M.
Speakers' Club dinner to Lewis Nixon, Harlem Casino.
Authors' Club reception to Sir Martin Conway.
Union League Club meeting.
Mass-meeting to urge public bath system extension, No. 209 East Broadway, 8 P. M.
Review Twelfth Regiment by Mayor Loe.
Humboldt Lodge, F. and A. M., banquet and ball, Lexington Opera-house.
Henry Clay Lodge smoker, Lexington Assembly Rooms, East Fifty-eighth street.
Concert of the Arion Singing Society, Academy of Music, Brooklyn.
Union Republican Club meeting and entertainment, No. 1004 Boston road.

AID SOCIETY GETS
TUTTLE CHILD.

MOTHER AND MAN WHO HELD HER DENIED POSSESSION.

They Had Fought Each Other in Court for Little Girl, and Both Wept on Losing Her.

NEWARK, N. J., March 13.—Vice-Chancellor Stevens to-day rendered a decision in the matter of the habeas corpus proceedings brought by Mrs. Ida Post Tuttle, of Bloomfield, against William H. Hollis, to secure possession of her ten-year-old daughter, Mary A. Tuttle.

The Court decided that Hollis had no legal right to the child, but that the mother was not a proper person to have the care of the girl.

It was therefore decided that the little girl be placed in charge of the State Charity Aid Society.

Mrs. Tuttle and Hollis were both in court when the decision was announced. Hollis wept bitterly, and the mother acted as if her mind was affected.

The proceedings were in private, but persons in the corridor of the court could hear her running up and down the room and screaming at the top of her voice. Her counsel and the court attaches after a time succeeded in calming her.

The little girl was given in charge of Mrs. Emily E. Williamson, of the Charity Aid Society, who took her to the Butler School, at Northampton, Mass.

The husband of Mrs. Tuttle is now serving a term in State's prison. The woman lived in the same house with Hollis after her husband was sent to prison until about two years ago.

Hollis has always claimed that Mrs. Tuttle deserted her child, but the woman contended that he would not allow her to have possession of her daughter. She had him arrested on two or three occasions in New York and Bloomfield, but the cases were dismissed.

VERY LATEST NEWS
IN BRIEFEST FORM.

WESTERLAND DOCKED HERE.

The Red Star line steamer Westernland docked shortly before 6 o'clock this evening at Pier 14, North River. Her fifty-four passengers have decided to stay aboard until the disabled crank shaft is repaired. It will be a week before the Westernland can continue her voyage to Liverpool.

SAYS AMERICANS IN MEXICO ARE PERSECUTED.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—American residents in Mexico have filed affidavits at the State Department alleging that they cannot obtain protection at the American Embassy.

The American Minister to Mexico is Gen. Powell Clayton, of Arkansas. Secretary Hay has asked for an explanation.

The case of an American miner is cited. He was imprisoned for contempt of court when he failed to appear on a summons owing to sickness, though he made proper excuses.

LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fifth Race—Velma Clark 1. Andes 2. Echo Dale 3.
Sixth Race—Woodtrice 1. Socapa 2. Glade Run 3.

\$30,000 EXECUTION AGAINST CARSON.

The Sheriff to-day received four executions aggregating \$30,783 against John H. Carson, three for \$4,590 in favor of the National Citizens' Bank of New York City and the other for \$26,193 in favor of the Knickerbocker Trust Company.

SECRET CONFERENCE ON THE CUBAN QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The arbitrators representing the Ways and Means Committee and those opposed to the Committee's plan on Cuban reciprocity are in session in the Ways and Means Committee room.

DR. HAGNER HELD FOR GRAND JURY.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Dr. Charles E. Hagner, for thirty years a well-known physician here, was to-day held for the Grand Jury for throwing a baby into a garbage can. The Coroner's jury held that Dr. Hagner was "guilty of inexcusable neglect."

FOR ARRESTS ON SUSPICION

L. L. Qualey and Frank C. Weller, president and treasurer of the Horse Shoe Mining Company, and Ewan H. Clark, a mining engineer, of the Hotel Empire, and Fred Herbert, a stock broker, of No. 162 East Forty-ninth street, were held in the Centre Street Court this afternoon by Magistrate Brann in \$1,500 each on a charge of grand larceny, preferred by George W. Efinger. The trouble grew out of a stock transaction. All the prisoners furnished bail.

WITTE'S PAPERS IN WASHINGTON.

Secret-Service Agent Flynn said this afternoon that Witte, who makes the charges against Ambassador Von Holleben, called a month ago and surrendered of his own volition some papers which were forwarded to Washington. A few days ago he demanded the return of his papers, and was told they were in Washington. "I presume," said he, "Mr. Witte will get his papers back when the Government gets ready to return them."

\$25 AWARD IN SLANDER SUIT.

The Columbia street price for slandering your neighbor by saying "he would take the money out of a man's pocket" was quoted at \$25 by a jury before Justice Gildersleeve in the Supreme Court this afternoon. The occasion was the suit of Samuel Reggel against Harry Lebofsky for slander. Samuel set his figure at \$5,000.

NO RISE IN STEAMSHIP RATES.

Unanswerable proof that the trans-Atlantic steamship lines running out of New York have no intention of advancing passenger rates for the summer season, lies in the fact that the greater part of the carrying capacity of the various lines for the months of June, July and August is already booked in advance.

\$500,000 FOR HIS EMPLOYEES.

LONDON, March 13.—James Dick, the so-called "Rubber King," who died at Glasgow March 7, bequeathed £100,000 for distribution among his employees. His Cashier gets £5,000, his cook £2,000, and other domestics receive thousands of pounds. The clerks get from £300 to £500 each.

FAVORS METRIC SYSTEM.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The bill to adopt the weights and measures of the metric system as the standard for the United States, today was considered favorably reported by the House Committee on Coinage, Weights and Measures.

\$2,000 AND LIFE PASS FOR BOY.

HALIFAX, N. S. March 13.—Fourteen-year-old Gerald Gaborne, who saved the St. John Express from disaster Tuesday evening, is to be presented with a check for \$2,000 and a life pass over the railway. He noticed a broken rail and flagged the express by waving a burning newspaper.

BRIDGE ENGINEER BUCK TO WED.

Lefferts Buck, the chief engineer of the Brooklyn Bridge, announced to-day that he would soon marry, the bride to be Miss Lydia R. Gould, of Paducah, Ky., where Mr. Buck visited a week ago. Col. Buck is sixty-two years old and was regarded as a confirmed bachelor.

STATE TROOPS
TO OUST GUDEN?

Col. Dike Has Consultation with Lieut.-Col. Brady.

ODELL URGED ACTION.

Old Sheriff Likely to Retire at a Show of Real Force.

Lieut.-Col. Brady, of the Twenty-third Regiment, called on Sheriff Dike this afternoon and held a long conference with him. This visit gave rise to the rumor that the militia was to be called out to oust Gudén, the deposed Sheriff, who insists upon holding his office and has taken the matter into the courts.

Col. Brady was asked about possible action by the militia after he left the Sheriff's office.

"There is no immediate prospect that the militia will be called out," he said.

"Does that mean that your regiment will take a hand later?" he was asked.

Col. Brady refused to answer the question. Sheriff Dike also refused to talk about the newest aspect of the case.

Back to Dike Again.

Two of Sheriff Dike's deputies, Partridge and Wheeler, who deserted this morning and went back to Gudén, did their deserting specialty again this afternoon and went back to Dike. It is said that they were ordered to do this by Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff.

Plans were made this morning to drive Gudén out of the office he is occupying. Sheriff Dike swore thirty special deputies and had all in readiness for an attack on Gudén, when somebody raised the point that, as the case is in the Supreme Court, such a proceeding would put the new Sheriff in contempt.

Later in the day Gudén's lawyer, Jere Wernberg, intimated that his client was willing to get out if the other side would make a sufficient display of force to enable him to say that he got out under protest. This course may be adopted tomorrow.

The protest of carrying the Gudén camp by force was evolved after Sheriff Dike had concluded a long talk over the long distance telephone—presumably with Gov. Odell.

Sheriff Gudén was smiling and confident when he arrived at his office this morning. He said that some legal papers and some into his office for service and that he was going to open up shop.

Chief Clerk First to Go.

Sheriff Dike appeared about half an hour later. He said he had not read the newspapers and he knew nothing of Gov. Odell's vetoed intention of going to go into Sheriff Gudén's office and throw that person out.

As he seated himself at his desk his chief clerk, John J. Johnson, a Gudén appointee, who enlisted under Sheriff Dike when Sheriff Gudén was thrown out, approached and handed in the following note:

COLE NORMAN & DIKE—I hereby tender my resignation as chief clerk in your office. You have the authority, go ahead, in the message Gov. Odell telephoned to-day to Sheriff Dike, of Kings County. He added that Dike had full power to swear in any number of deputies to accomplish the purpose.

Michael J. Dady is here trying to pour oil on the Kings County troubled waters.

He called on Lieut.-Gov. Woodruff, and it is reported, disclaimed all responsibility for the barring out of Dike by Gudén. He asked the Lieut.-Gov. to try to smooth things down with Gov. Odell.

After this talk the Lieut.-Gov. returned to the Governor and in turn tried to advise the Republican organization of Kings from all blame for Gudén's action.

Gov. Odell, it is said, spoke very sharply to Mr. Woodruff about the present situation in Kings County and advised a thorough clearing out of the political house, before it tumbled down on the heads of the present leaders.

The Governor and Lieut.-Gov. nor talked at length about Judge Gaynor's decision of the writ to compel Sheriff Dike to show cause, who he should not turn over his books and papers to former Sheriff Gudén.

Mr. Woodruff kept telephoning authorities almost constantly all the morning to learn the exact situation.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Brown Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

SWEPT THROUGH SEWER;
SAVED ALIVE FROM RIVER.

Marvellous Trip of Half a Mile Made by Edward Boyle, a Plumber's Helper—His Experiences Told by Himself Soon After His Rescue.

Edward Boyle, a workman, was this afternoon swept through a sewer opposite No. 252 East Fifty-third street to the opening at the East River off Forty-ninth street. Here is his own story of his remarkable voyage.

BY EDWARD BOYLE.

"I was making repairs in the manhole, when the ladder broke.

"When the rope the boys threw me was torn away by the force of the water, I thought it was all up with me. I never expected to get out alive.

The sewer was a four-foot one and the water was within a foot of the top. The water was pretty clear, owing to the recent rains.

"But it was awful. The flow of the water was so strong that I could not sink. I tried to swim, but could not.

"Then I got over on my back and floated along. As I passed under each manhole I took long breaths of the better air.

"Suddenly I struck the turn in the sewer with a terrific bump. It knocked my senses almost out of me.

"The air got more foul and I guess I lost consciousness.

"It seemed as if I never would get anywhere. I didn't even know where I was going and didn't much care, when I plumped out and down into the river.

"I tell you that seemed good! It was like coming to life.

"I am a good swimmer, but I got no chance in there, the water flowed so fast. I just wriggled around on my back and stayed on top."

A fortunate circumstance for Boyle was that there was no mud scum tied up along the dock where the sewer empties itself into the river, as is usually the case. If there had been any obstacle which had prevented the man from falling directly into the water of the river, he would in all probability have been killed, such is the force with which the sewage is ejected from the sewer.

Dr. Forbes says Boyle's escape from death is remarkable. He says that so far as his examination shows, Boyle is merely suffering from shock, and that there is nothing to prevent him being all right in a day or two. He may, however, in the doctor's opinion, be speechless for some hours.

LIFELESS AFTER
DEATH PREDICTION

ASBURY PARK MAN BELIEVED HIS TIME HAD COME.

Went Into Seclusion, and Police Found Him Dead in His Room.

(Special to The Evening World.)

ASBURY PARK, March 13.—Howard Coleman, a prominent business man and pioneer resident of Asbury Park, was found lying dead in his bed on Third street today. Coleman had not been seen in the streets since Tuesday, when he told a friend that he "believed his time had come."

Last night a light was observed in his rooms, but as he failed to show himself at any time during the evening, as was his custom, his neighbors became suspicious, and today notified the police that something must be wrong.

Officers burst open his door at noon today and discovered Coleman's lifeless body. He had been dead for some time. There were no marks on his person or other indications of foul play, and it is believed that death was due to natural causes.

BRYAN IN WASHINGTON.

Quite an Ovation.

WASHINGTON, March 13.—William Jennings Bryan arrived in Washington today from New York on route to St. Louis. He was met by a large delegation of Bryanites, who gave him a hearty welcome. For some time he had an informal interview with the President and quite a number of Republican members being presented to him.

BOY SHOT THROUGH HEART.

Gun Fell as He Was Reaching for It and He Dropped Dead.

(Special to The Evening World.)

CAMDEN, N. J., March 13.—Albert W. Peterson, sixteen years old, accidentally killed himself with a shot gun at his home in Merchantville early today. Young Peterson was a talented musician. Seven hours daily practice begun to tell on his health and he was in the habit of taking early morning walks for recreation.

He usually carried his gun and was about to take it up today in his room when it fell and the shot went through his heart.

LITTLE HOPE FOR RHODES.

Private Messages Say He Has but Slight Chance to Recover.

LONDON, March 13.—Private cable messages received here by friends of Cecil Rhodes lead to the belief that there is but slight hope for his recovery.